

## BIAS AND DIAGONAL LINE IS OUTSTANDING FOR SPRING

## Short Bust Effect to Be Leader

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PARIS, Feb. 16.—The leading creators of Paris fashions have decreed the bias and diagonal line as the outstanding characteristics of the 1932 spring collections.

Every season, according to tradition, there are one or two points which contribute a great deal to the general trend of fashions. This year, the stellar role is being played jointly by waistline and sleeves, two features of importance in the feminine mind.

Details are profuse in the new styles for the coming year, supplied by buttons, sleeves, scarfs, and fabric combinations.

## Short Bust Effect Leads

This spring will be known for its short bust effects, stressed by all the leading houses, whether this is achieved by means of a wide belt, rib and tucker or the high corset-style skirt, according to individual inspiration.

Nearly all sleeves are wide, with this width placed at all possible points. There are sleeves of the leg-of-mutton, balloon, bell and other persuasions, trimmed with tucks, pleated inserts, or rows and rows of Valenciennes lace. Others are raglan, kimono, cape and some are all in one with the dress yoke.

Bolero and bolero fronts or backs, "caracos" (which is the French name for the tightly-fitted and seamed jacket buttoning down the front and featuring a little basque, still worn by old peasant women) and vests have inspired a number of amusing combinations of fabric and colors.

## Waistline Is Draped

Draped effects at the waistline, at the neckline, novel buttoned lines of coats, either real or simulated, bows, cravats, scarfs of vivid hue destined to brighten up a dark dress or suit are all to be seen in the new collections.

Chantal favors the very short bolero and dress combination. Her collection, and diagonal effects are also stressed in her sports clothes. Skirts are very slightly in forme or circular, with slim hip yokes. She uses a good many cotton fabrics for informal wear. The high waistline prevails.

Mainbocher's silhouette is essentially slim and a simple effect is aimed at throughout. Skirts in sports clothes are sufficiently full for perfect ease in walking, and following the principle now ruling in fashions, cut on the bias. Some have apron effects in front only.

Many jackets and separate coats have epaulet effects, one especially successful black wool coat frock having these lined with a red and white print on a black ground, the print also fashioning a little modesty vest in front.

## Patou Has New Blue

Jean Patou's collection, one of the outstanding events of the season, fulfilled all expectations. The new Patou blue, the color of a shade of midnight and cornflower blue, which he stresses throughout his collection, contributes a great deal to imparting a note of gaiety in clothes which will surely help us all to tide over this era of depression.

The diagonal line is stressed throughout every category of dress, and there is a dress to fit every type of woman.

Patou offers a number of attractive ensembles composed of a gaily printed fabric worn with a long, dark wool or dull surfaced silk coat. Even the collars on these coats adopt a diagonal line, some being almost fan-shaped on one shoulder and dwindling to a mere frill on the other.

The coat fronts have also been subjected to the diagonal line and the part that wraps over is usually shorter.

The new hats shown by Patou are to say the least original of line.

Many of them leave almost the entire left side of the head uncovered, but worn by the right type of woman, they will be very smart.

There are a number of picture hats and sailors, all with some studied detail of trimming particular to Patou.

## Reception Group, Hostesses Named for White Cross Tea

Mrs. Brandt C. Downey, chairman of the tea to be held Wednesday at the Methodist Episcopal hospital by the newly organized White Cross hospital auxiliary, has announced the reception committee and hostesses for the occasion.

In the receiving line, with Mrs. Edgar Blake, president, will be:

Mrs. John C. Benson, Arthur W. Brown, Fred Hoke, William L. Taylor, C. W. Fifer, Otis Kirkpatrick, Q. G. Noblett, Louis Levy, George Smith, E. C. Balzert, W. W. Wiant, Jean Milner, Arthur Wolf, William Ray Adams, Edgar Kiser, Morris Whirter, David Ross, Charles Mueller, Charles Buchanan, J. S. Tinsley, J. J. W. Noble, W. E. Tinsley.

Hostesses will include:

Mrs. James Alfred H. Backus, W. B. Brimes, L. G. Cornes, V. B. Hargitt, W. J. Harting, J. G. Moore, F. L. Roberts, T. Taylor, E. F. Schneider, W. T. Jones, D. Gross, A. A. Spaulding, Bertha C. Cross, F. R. Greer, B. B. Shale, C. C. Kroft, G. R. Carpenter, E. P. Jewett, J. S. Woodard, C. E. Black, B. B. C. Boeh, R. M. Sells, A. H. Kenna, R. Shumaker, W. G. Morgan, L. H. Kendall.

Mrs. Mary E. Abel, Wolf Sussman, Peter Betty Henry Ostrom, G. W. Combs.

## A Day's Menu

## Breakfast—

Stewed rhubarb, crisp broiled bacon, potatoes hashed in milk, cornmeal muffins, milk, coffee.

## Luncheon—

Corned beef hash, apple and celery salad, sliced oranges and bananas, milk, tea.

## Dinner—

Chicken pie, candied sweet potatoes, creamed onions, tomato jelly salad, vanilla ice cream with hot maple sauce, crisp cookies, milk, coffee.

## CRAVAT FASTENING IS CHIC



A brown and blue beige suit created by Maggy Rouff shows the new short-waisted effect and the cravat.

MANNERS AND MORALS  
By JANE JORDAN

GET your troubles off your mind by writing to Jane Jordan, who will study your case and answer your letters in this column.

Dear Jane Jordan—I have a boy friend whom I have known six months. He treats me wonderfully. He has been begging me for dates for a long time, but I have refused him, because I have some things about him. He is about 21 years old, and I am 19. I have a wild life. He sincerely promises me that if I will go with him he will treat me like an angel, but I am afraid people will think I am like what he used to be. Do you think for my reputation's sake, that it is safe for me to go with him?

DEAR DEB—Public opinion always is harder on those who cringe before it than on those who obviously are indifferent to it. If you let your life be guided by your fear of what people will say, you will be continually in hot water. Respect public opinion only in so far as it is necessary to avoid being thrown into prison or starving to death. Otherwise, be true to your own ideas without thought of the herd.

Few people can be happy unless their conduct is approved by their friends. They fear the isolation that results from an independent life and can exist only in sympathetic surroundings. If you're lacking in personal courage, you would better not take my advice.

Dear Jane Jordan—I am a girl, 21, and have been working for five years keeping my mother, and for the last three years by three brothers, all of whom are older than I am. I have a friend who wants to marry me and I would like to marry him, but I am in doubt as to how the family could get along. As far as I can see, things never will change. What is your advice? Should I marry or should I keep on doing as I am doing? I am willing to make the sacrifice, as I have a wonderful mother.

DEAR REBBE—At 21 you may be willing to sacrifice your life to your family. At 31 you will regret it, and at 41 you will be embittered permanently. If your mother is as wonderful as you say she is, she will not permit you to

## ACTS AS HOSTESS



Mrs. Francis Rankin

Mrs. Francis Rankin will entertain members of the alumnae chapter of Pi Lambda Theta sorority tonight at her home, 2551 North Delaware street, for Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Stinebaugh. Mr. Stinebaugh will speak on "Modern Trends in Secondary Education."

## Chairmen of Y. W. Groups Are Named

Appointment of chairmen of standing committees of the Indianapolis Young Women's Christian Association for the ensuing year was made Monday by Mrs. Brandt C. Downey, president, at an all-day joint session of the board of directors and committee members at Central Y. W. C. A. Appointments are:

Mrs. William Adams, world fellowship committee; Mrs. R. E. Adkins, state public affairs; Mrs. Samuel Ashby, nominating committee; Mrs. Hugh E. Bogardus, chairman of industrial committee; Mrs. A. W. Bowen, educational committee; Mrs. George W. Combs, Blue Triangle committee; Mrs. Margaret Dice, central house committee; Mrs. Ernest N. Evans, personal service committee; Mrs. Herbert Gibbs, music committee; Mrs. A. H. Hinkle, membership committee; Mrs. Curtis Hodges, personnel committee; Miss Augusta Hiett, co-chairman of world fellowship committee; Miss Elsie Kiner, industrial committee; Mrs. Lucile Kiner, Blue Triangle committee; Mrs. W. S. Lockhart, public affairs committee; Mrs. Walter Morton, Girl Reserve committee; Mrs. E. D. Moten, Phyllis Wheatley branch committee of management; Mrs. Charles Mueller, interracial committee; Mrs. W. C. Smith, health education committee; Mrs. B. D. Spradling, finance committee; and Mrs. L. L. Wallace, chairman food service committee.

Mrs. F. E. Gifford, recently re-elected as recording secretary, also is serving on the personnel committee; Mrs. Norman Green on the educational committee; Mrs. A. M. Mendonhall on the Blue Triangle committee; Mrs. J. W. Meyers on food service; Mrs. L. H. Millikan on personal service; Mrs. William Rothenburger on interracial; Mrs. Bogardus on Girl Reserve, and Mrs. Ashby on membership.

Mrs. George Buck is corresponding secretary and Miss Adah Bush, treasurer.

## Heyl Club to Be Entertained by Mrs. Mayer

Mrs. Walter R. Mayer, 4134 North Illinois street, will be hostess for a Colonial tea to be given this afternoon by the Heyl Study Club. The program will be in keeping with the Washington bicentennial.

Mrs. Thomas N. Shimer will read a paper on Washington. Mrs. S. C. Copeland will sing, accompanied by Mrs. J. A. Matthews, who will play an organ several hundred years old which will be decorated appropriate to the occasion. Members will be in Colonial costume.

At tea time the table will be decorated with flowers and candles in red, white, and blue, and flags will be arranged about the rooms. Mrs. Mayer will be assisted by the following officers:

Mrs. Frances McKinstry, Robert P. Daggett, Copeland, D. A. Anderson, Harold Knicker, William W. Chester, M. Hardy, John S. Macy and Matthews.

Alpha Delta Theta sorority of Butler university held formal initiation services Sunday morning for Miss Harriet Carpenter, Cleveland, Miss Grace Nesbit and Miss Dorothy Youngholm, followed by breakfast in their honor at the chapter house, 725 Berkeley road.

Breakfast tables were decorated with sweet peas and corsages of pink pens and violets were given the initiates. The scholarship cup was awarded Miss Carpenter, Miss Edith Barnhill, president of the chapter, was toastmaster, and responses were given by initiates.

Miss Emma Louise Mann was breakfast chairman, assisted by Miss Katherine Maurer and Miss Gilberta Heid.

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Thompson of the Columbia Club are guests at Hotel Wadsworth in Chicago.

Miss Mary Culbertson, Brazil, who has been the house guest of Miss Martha Adams, 4904 Central avenue, has returned home.

Mrs. Eva M. Cline, Columbus, Ind., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. William H. Skinner, and Mr. Skinner, 2141 Central avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Nichols, 4429 North Illinois street, will leave the end of the month for residence in Detroit.

## B. J. STINNETT

## HONORED AT FETE

Children and grandchildren of B. J. Stinnett entertained Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Stinnett, 1302 Lexington avenue, with a birthday dinner in his honor. The table was centered with a birthday cake on a plateau of sweet peas. A musical program provided entertainment during the evening. Covers were laid for forty.

## MRS. PAUL GAYMAN

## FOUNDER CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Frank Churchman, president of Indianapolis Alumnae Association of Delta Gamma sorority, has appointed Mrs. Paul D. Gayman chairman of the annual state founders' day luncheon March 12 at the Columbia Club. Miss Edna Nowland will be in charge of reservations. Other committee chairmen are:

Mrs. George Brown, luncheon; Mrs. Mark Hamer, entertainment; Mrs. David Liggett, dance; Mrs. Dan O. Rab, arrangements; Miss Martha Lee McCree, publicity; and Mrs. Dudley Smith, decorations.

## Mrs. Gates Hostess

Mrs. W. W. Gates, 611 East Thirty-second street, will be hostess to the Capitol City chapter, American W. Mothers, at a luncheon party at 2 Wednesday.

## Theta Chis to Meet

Theta Sigma Chi sorority will meet Wednesday with Mrs. Albert Voelp for luncheon and bridge, following a business meeting.

## WHAT'S IN FASHION—

## Cotton-like Weaves in Silk

Directed by AMOS PARRISH

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Listen to a group of fashionable women chatting about spring silks.

"Seersucker . . . pique . . . serge . . . voile . . . men's shirting . . . suede . . . corduroy." Those are some of the words you're sure to hear.

Nobody talks of fashionable silks this spring without mentioning these words and cottons, too. For their weaves have inspired many of the weaves you'll see among the new spring silks.

Doesn't that sound as though new silks would be interesting to look at? They certainly are! And interesting to wear, too.

Of course the cotton crepes, canton failles, the spiral weaves and the not-so-flat-as-they-were flat crepes are still fashionable.

Sheer canton is a fine material, too . . . grand and cool for warmer weather. Printed georgette is another silk that's going to help you keep comfortable when summer comes.

But just as in smart wooleens, unusual weaves are newer in silks. And they certainly give a different, modern, exciting look to costumes.

A heavily crinkled crepe looks almost like seersucker—but it doesn't have the usual cotton seersucker stripes.

Corded and ribbed silks have a

certain air about them. One has the "wale" effect of corduroy. Another the finer striping of pique. A third, called silk serge, looks like the weave of wool serge. Do you get this new silk picture?

Triple voile is a formal silk woven just about like a cotton voile. Lovely for afternoon and evening dresses.

Shirring stripes make stunning sports dresses and blouses. They have a mannish air that goes well with the tailored sports atmosphere we're seeing this year.

The newest silks of all have what is called a suede surface. That means they're dulled, as suede leather is, and sometimes have that same soft feel that suede gloves have.

Shantung. Three's a serviceable old friend. Still friendly to fashion, too. And a new sheer shantung is being used for evening dresses.

Before you buy these silks to make into dresses, write for your free copy of the Amos Parrish chart showing what color dresses and accessories go best with spring coat colors. Address Amos Parrish, care of The Times Fashion Bureau, 500 Fifth Ave., New York, inclosing stamped, addressed return envelope.

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Next: Amos Parrish describes smart fabrics for men's suits.

## Multum in Parvo Literary Club Holds Washington Birthday Tea

Mrs. Adolf Wagner, 5757 Washington boulevard, was hostess this afternoon to a Washington tea given by the Multum in Parvo Literary Club for members and a few guests. The Wagner house, built in Colonial style, furnished a fitting background for the occasion.

Mrs. Frank E. Weimer, president, opened the program with greetings, to which the members responded with tributes to Washington. Mrs. Horace G. Casady was in charge of the program.

Sidney R. Esten of the state forestry conservation department spoke on "Forestry Conservation in Indiana." He told of Washington's love for trees, and explained that the keynote of the Washington bicentennial is the conservation of forests, and that no more fitting memorial to Washington could be erected than the planting of trees.

Mrs. William W. Stanley read a paper on "Washington, Soldier and Statesman," and Mrs. Fred Kepner led the singing of patriotic songs. Miss Mary Catherine Stair played two groups of selections on the harp, and gave readings.

Decorations were centered around to which large portraits of Washington and an eagle which was placed at one end of the room with a flag. The tea table was lighted with ivory candles twined with cherry blossoms, and centered with a miniature hollow cherry tree log, filled with cherry candies. The log was placed on a plateau of cherry wood from one of the trees surrounding Lord Fawcett's home.

Favors of corsages were presented the guests. Mrs. Emil H. Soufflot, founder, and Mrs. Weimer, president, poured. They were in Colonial costume. Miss Stair played a program of harp music during the tea.

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